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Dear 

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 18 December 2018 received via email seeking information concerning the Taranaki Oil and Gas Security Group.

By way of background, you wrote: 'According to the SSC's report on state sector use of external security consultants (released today), the police participated in the Taranaki Oil and Gas Security Group (TOGS), "a group led by Thompson and Clark to bring together industry stakeholders and the NZ Police to enable a better understanding of wider security issues facing the sector in Taranaki".'

Your sought the following information under the OIA:

1. a list of all members of the TOGS
2. a list of all meetings of TOGS, including date and location
3. for each meeting, the agenda, if any.

In answer to the above questions, I have enclosed a copy of all TOGS agenda documents and the terms of reference held by Police and located during the recent internal Police investigation. The agenda documents contain the dates and locations of meetings. The terms of reference contain a list of the members.

Some information has been withheld to protect the privacy of some individuals involved. This includes, names, positions and contact phone numbers. Therefore that part of your request is withheld pursuant to s9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982 to protect the privacy of natural persons in circumstances where public interest considerations favouring release do not outweigh the withholding.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely



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